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- 1. As of 28 July 1949 Kuharrem Bajraktari was reported to be taking steps to leave Greece for Turkey in order to go from there to Yujoslavia, where his brother, Bajram, is one of the leaders employed by Tito to organize units for the overthrow of Hoxha.
- 2. On 11 August Bajraktari and Rysni Dena not in Athens and agreed to enter Albania from Greece. Emediately after their meeting, they met General Prenk Pervizi and Gendarmerie Golonel Pancelis Papalilios, to whom they announced their decision; Pervizi and Papalilios disapproved and told them that they must obey Pervizi and Papalilios, who outranked them. (On this same date Doma stated that 25 persons had entered Albania on 3 August 1949 from Italy and that others were still entering for the purpose of organizing a revolution.)
- 3. Bajraktari has employed as his private secretary the Albanian Professor Myftar Spahiu, who went to the IRO Camp at Lavrion on 13 September 1919. The former has been spreading propaganda among the Albanians there in an effort to win their support of the Committee for Free Albania. As of 13 September Bajraktari expected that 200 more Albanians would arrive at the Camp from Bari, and was preparing to receive them.

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5. Hysni Dema and General Pervizi are both dissatisfied with the formation of the Committee for Prec Albania, of which Bajraktari is a member.* Dema maintains that the Albanians will not succeed unless they collaborate with the Greeks, but source abtributes this attitude to the fact that Dema was not included on the Committee. Up to 17 September Figri Dine had shown no reaction to the formation of the Committee and appeared to

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**Comment: Another well-placed source reports that Bajraktari, who was staying at "avrion comp, did not have any previous knowledge of his "parthcipation" in the Committee for Free Albania; he allegedly received

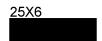
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his first notice of this from the communique printed in the Greek newspapers. On 1 September 1949 he moved into Athens and took quarters in the Helmos Hotel where a sealed envelope, containing instructions from the Committee of Free Albanians and a communication about his participation in the Committee as an Advisory Member, was delivered to him.

